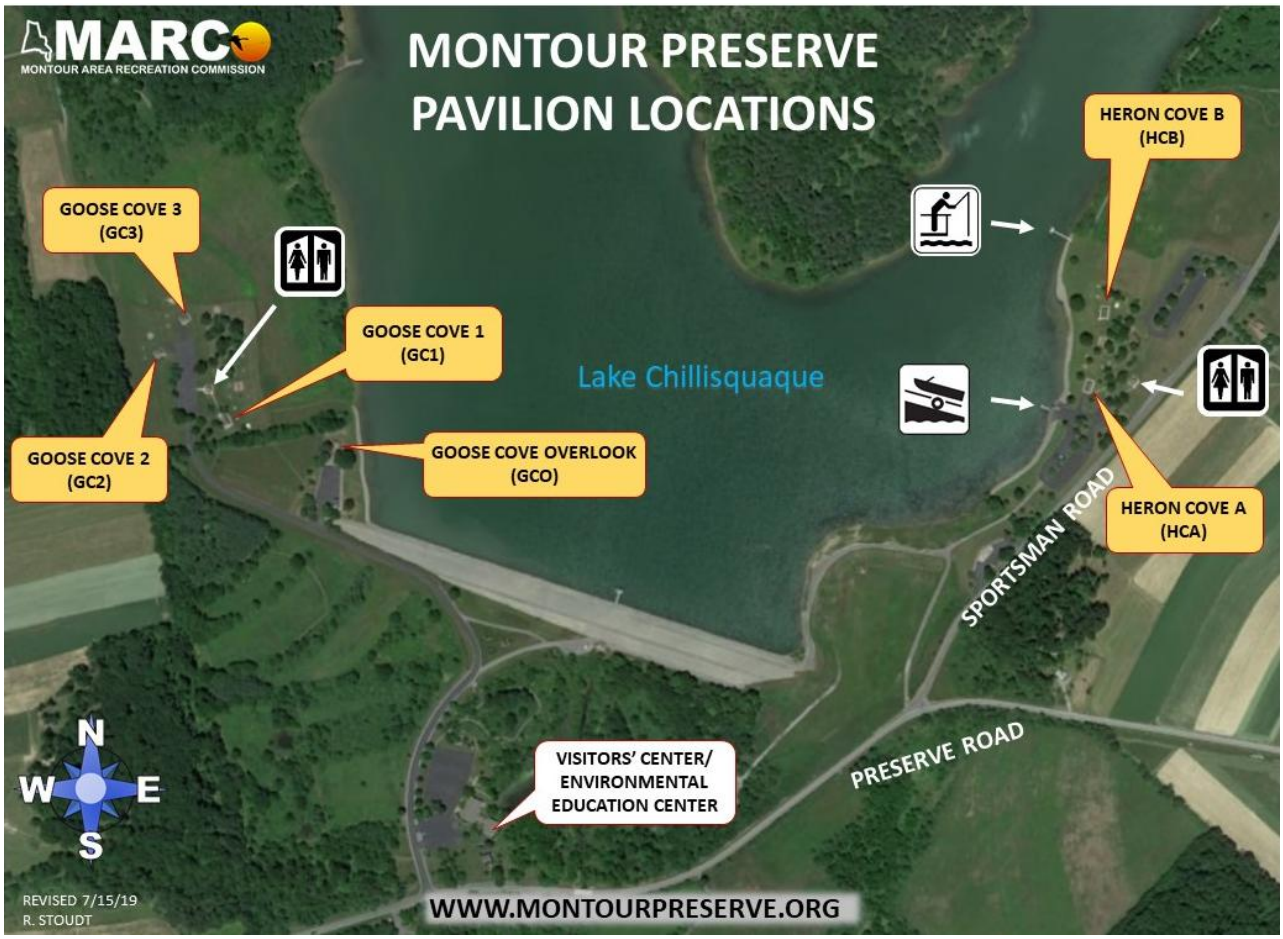
MONTOUR PRESERVE
2026 / 2027 PAVILION RESERVATION FORM



The pavilions and other facilities at the Montour Preserve are freely available for public use during the site's normal dawn to dark hours of operation. However, the Preserve's six pavilions may be rented on a daily basis (or half-day at Goose Cove #2, Goose Cove #3, and Goose Cove Overlook). The rental fees are shown in the table on Page 3 of this form.

Individuals or organizations that have made reservations are allowed the exclusive use of the reserved pavilion(s) during the times requested; all other users must yield the use of the pavilion(s). ***However, under no circumstances may those who have made pavilion reservations be permitted to deny entry by other users to the Preserve, its play areas, charcoal grills, picnic tables, etc.; pavilion reservations entitle users only to the exclusive use of the pavilion that they have reserved.***

Those wishing to make pavilion reservations are required to submit Page 5 of this application form, along with the required fee, to: Montour Area Recreation Commission (MARC), PO Box 456, Danville, PA 17821. Copies of this application, an online reservations calendar, and details about Preserve resources may be found online at **www.MontourPreserve.org.**

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Reservations may be made for one or more pavilions. All individuals or organizations reserving pavilions at the Montour Preserve are required to abide by the following terms and conditions:

TRASH AND PAVILION CLEANING
Pavilion users are asked to help keep the Montour Preserve clean and attractive for other users by leaving the pavilions in good, clean condition and removing any trash they have generated. Dumpsters are located near the restroom buildings in each picnic area.

Pavilion users must remove any tape, thumb tacks, or other items they have used to hold signs, decorations, or table covers.

Confetti may not be used at the Montour Preserve. In the event that confetti or other trash is found in a pavilion after a group's use has ended, MARC will charge a $40 fee for the required cleanup. Failure to pay the required cleanup fee will result in individuals / groups being prohibited from reserving Montour Preserve pavilions or other resources.

MONTOUR PRESERVE GENERAL RULES
Because many people visit and enjoy the Montour Preserve throughout the year, we ask your help in keeping the Preserve a safe and beautiful natural recreation area. For your safety and the protection of the natural resources, we ask that you adhere to the following rules while at the Preserve:

- Preserve hours are dawn to dark
- Leave all pets at home; dogs (except service dogs) and other pets are not allowed at the Preserve
- Vehicles must be parked on paved surfaces in designated spots
- trails are open to pedestrians only; bikes, pets, horses, and motorized vehicles are not allowed
- Do not swim in the lake, ponds, or streams
- Alcoholic beverages, narcotics, and discharging of firearms are prohibited
- Boating in Lake Chillisquaque is prohibited from March 15 - April 30
- Boating in the Goose Cove refuge area is prohibited year-round
- Gasoline engines may not be used on the lake; electric motors are allowed
- Visitors must obtain a permit from MARC before entering the wildlife refuge and observation blinds
- Fishing is allowed in Lake Chillisquaque, but not in preserve ponds or streams
- Do not move picnic tables
- Hunting and trapping are not allowed in the preserve
- Collecting of plants, animals, and other natural resources is not allowed except in the Fossil Pit
- Open fires are not allowed except in charcoal grills or gas grills
- Radios and other sources of noise must be kept at a level that will not disturb other preserve visitors
- Camping is not allowed in the preserve

These rules are enforced by the Montour Area Recreation Commission, Talen Energy (and security contractors), PA Game Commission, PA Fish & Boat Commission, and the PA State Police to provide a safe and enjoyable visit for all. To contact these agencies, please use the following telephone numbers:
Montour Area Recreation Commission - (570) 336-2060
PA Game Commission - Northeast Regional Office - (570) 675-1143
PA Fish & Boat Commission - Northcentral Regional Office - (814) 359-5250
PA State Police - Troop F - 911

Thank you for enjoying the Montour Preserve in a responsible manner.

PAVILION FEATURES

Montour Preserve pavilion amenities include:

- Charcoal grills (bring your own charcoal & supplies)
- Electrical outlets (number varies by pavilion)
- Nearby restrooms
- Drinking water
- Dumpsters for trash disposal
- Swing sets
- Horseshoe pits (bring your own horseshoes)
- Nearby open fields for play
- Sandboxes with diggers (near GC1 and HCB)
- Nearby fishing pier (HCB)
- Nearby boat ramp (HCA & HCB)
- Additional picnic tables available nearby

PAVILION DETAILS AND FEES

MONTOUR PRESERVE PAVILIONS	SEATING CAPACITY	RENTAL FEE	HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE	ELECTRICITY	NUMBER OF ELECTRICAL OUTLETS	WATER	TABLES	GRILLS
GOOSE COVE #1 (GC1)	120	$125/day	YES	YES	20	YES	15	2
GOOSE COVE #2 (GC2)	50	$100/day $50 dawn - 2pm $50 3pm - dusk	YES	YES	6	YES	6	2
GOOSE COVE #3 (GC3)	50	$100/day $50 dawn - 2pm $50 3pm - dusk	YES	YES	6	YES	6	2
GOOSE COVE OVERLOOK (GCO)	25	$100/day $50 dawn - 2pm $50 3pm - dusk	YES	NO	0	NO	4	1
HERON COVE A (HCA)	80	$125/day	YES	YES	4	YES	10	2
HERON COVE B (HCB)	80	$100/day	NO	YES	2	YES	10	2

NOTICE: The Heron Cove B Pavilion is not handicapped-accessible and is not directly accessible by vehicles. This pavilion is not suitable for groups with attendees with limited mobility.

RESERVATION PROCEDURE

To make a Montour Preserve pavilion reservation, please do the following:

1. Visit http://MontourPreserve.org/pavilions/ to review the online calendar of existing reservations. Find a date, time, and pavilion that is available.

2. Contact MARC at (570) 750-3091 or Support@MontourPreserve.org to schedule your reservation. Your reservation will be added to the online calendar as 'tentative'.

3. Complete Page 5 of this application form and mail it, with a check for the required fees, to MARC within five business days. If your form and fees are not received by MARC within that time, your reservation may be removed and the date will be made available to others.

   Note: MARC will accept checks, cashier's checks, and money orders for payment; MARC cannot accept credit card or online payments. Cash payments may be made at the Montour Preserve office; **DO NOT MAIL CASH**. Please call (570) 750-3091 to schedule a time to drop off cash payments.

REFUND POLICY

MARC will not refund pavilion reservation fees because of bad weather. However, in the event MARC must close the Montour Preserve because of governmental mandates, flooding, or other severe weather-related problems, MARC will fully refund any pavilion reservations which must be cancelled.

MARC will fully refund any pavilion reservation cancelled at least thirty (30) days before the date of the reservation. MARC may, at its discretion, partially refund any pavilion reservation cancelled between twenty-nine (29) and fifteen (15) days before the date of the reservation. No refunds will be made for reservations cancelled less than fifteen (15) days before the date of the reservation.

GEISINGER DISCOUNT

MARC will provide a 10% discount on pavilion reservations for Geisinger employees for their personal use. Applicants may be required to provide proof of employment if requested by MARC.

MARC will waive all fees for pavilion usage by Geisinger departments when used for Geisinger purposes.

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Individual / Organization Submitting Application _____
(please list as you want to have shown on the calendar)

Contact Person *(for MARC use only; not visible to others)* _____
(will be responsible for site rule enforcement, cleaning, or other fees if applicable)

Mailing Address *(used for refunds or fee invoices if needed)* _____

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Phone Number *(cell phone preferred)* _____

Email Address *(used for reservation confirmation)* _____

Date and Times of Requested Reservation DATE_____TIMES_____
(for Goose Cove #2, Goose Cove #3, or Goose Cove Overlook, you may choose day-long, dawn to 2pm, or 3pm to dark; other pavilions are day-long)

Pavilion Requested

- ☐ **Goose Cove #1 ($125/day)**
- ☐ **Goose Cove #2 ($100/day or $50/half-day)**
- ☐ **Goose Cove #3 ($100/day or $50/half-day)**
- ☐ **Goose Cove Overlook ($100/day or $50/half-day)**
- ☐ **Heron Cove A ($125/day)**
- ☐ **Heron Cove B ($100/day)**

_____ reservation fee
_____ 10% discount for Geisinger employees (proof of employment may be requested)
_____ optional donation to help support the Montour Preserve
_____ total amount (please make checks payable to MARC)

I have read and understand the general terms and conditions on pages 1 - 4 of this application and I agree to abide by and be bound by them. I acknowledge that I will be obligated to pay an additional $40 cleaning fee if the pavilion is not left in good, clean condition. I further acknowledge that I may be required to provide proof of employment if I have claimed a 10% discount as an employee of Geisinger.

I understand and acknowledge that I am responsible to make all invitees to my/our reservation aware of the Montour Preserve's site rules, particularly the restrictions on dogs and alcohol. I understand that if dogs, alcohol, or other prohibited items are found in the possession of members of my/our group, all members of my/our party may be required to immediately leave the Montour Preserve and no refund shall be given.

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(applicant's signature)

Please mail this completed page and a check payable to MARC to: MARC | PO Box 456 | Danville, PA 17821